

CHILDREN'S SECTION

AMERICAN INDIAN CHILD ABUSE TREATMENT PROGRAM

Program Description

The American Indian Child Abuse Treatment (AICHAT) Program provides comprehensive direct services to American Indian children to include those who are dependents of the court, and in the child welfare system, victims of abuse, neglect, domestic violence, community violence, and abduction. The targets are American Indian children who do not have access to services due to non-availability of services, lack of resources, and non-eligibility for other treatment services.

Eligibility

Only American Indian tribes or a consortium of tribes located on a reservation, or American Indian non-profit organizations providing services in urban communities are eligible to apply.

Authorized By

Federal Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) of 1984, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 10601, et seq, and the California State Legislature

Fund Source and Amount

On going AICHAT Program –VOCA - \$875,000

Two-year only AICHAT Program – VOCA - \$132,371

Grant Award Period

On going AICHAT Program October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2009

Two year-only AICHAT Program ends September 30, 2009

Next Competitive/Non Competitive Application Due Date

Non Competitive - September 1, 2009

Additional Program Information

This program has four mandated objectives:

1. Provide clinical or culturally centered therapeutic services.
2. Assist in providing information on crime victim compensation claims.
3. Assist in understanding and participation in the criminal justice system; and
4. Utilize volunteers in the program.

To assist in meeting the four mandated objectives, sub recipients may offer the following VOCA services to child victims of abuse: counseling; follow-up; therapy; group treatment/support for children; shelter/safe house; information/referral (in-person); telephone contact; criminal justice support/advocacy; emergency financial assistance; emergency legal advocacy; assistance in filing compensation claims; and personal advocacy.

How Do I Get More Information

This program is administered by the Children's Section of the Victim and Children's Branch of the Law Enforcement and Victim Services Division of OES at (916) 324-9120.